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SUBJ: UN COMMITTEE ON RESTRUCTURING--FEBRUARY 18

1. FOLLOWING SUMMARIZES STATEMENTS AT FEB 18 MEETING.

A. IMCO (INTERGOVERNMENTAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORG.).  
SYG OF IMCO GAVE DESCRIPTION OF HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT  
OF IMCO, STRESSING RECENT GREAT INCREASE IN LDC MEMBERSHIP  
AND IMPORTANT IMPACT OF IMCO'S HIGHLY SPECIALIZED WORK  
FOR DEVELOPMENT. HE DESCRIBED THE GROUP OF EXPERTS REPORT  
AS A VALUABLE ANALYSIS OF UN SYSTEM PROBLEMS AND SOURCE OF  
SOLUTIONS. HE NOTED EXPERTS' RECOMMENDATION FOR INCREASED  
PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION BY NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS BUT CAUTIONED  
THAT STANDARD-SETTING ROLE OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES IS  
DIFFICULT TO DIVORCE FROM THEIR ROLE OF PROVIDING TECHNICAL  
ASSISTANCE TO HELP IMPLEMENT THE STANDARDS. REGARDING THE  
PROPOSED ADVISORY COMITE ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND  
DEVELOPMENT, HE NOTED THAT THE EXPERTS HAD RESTRICTED  
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MEMBERSHIP TO THE LARGER AGENCIES AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE

THAT SMALLER AGENCIES SUCH AS IMOC WOULD BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE ALSO SINCE THEIR EFFORTS WERE IMPORTANT FOR A FULLY COORDINATED SYSTEM.

B. JORDAN. RESTRUCTURING EXERCISE SHOULD BE A CAREFUL BALANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORM AND RECOGNITION OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE IDEA OF RESTRUCTURING WAS RAISED AT 28TH GA. EXPERTS' REPORT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ONE, AND ONLY ONE, OF THE IMORTANT INPUTS TO THE RESTRUCTURING EXERCISE. EXPERTS' PROPOSALS FOR STRENGTHENING ROLE OF ECOSOC ALL VERY CONSTRUCTIVE. EXPERTS' PROPOSALS FOR PLANNING, PROGRAMMING, AND BUDGETING CONCERN ONE OF THE AREAS MOST SERIOUSLY Affected BY PIECE-MEAL EVOLUTION OF UN SYSTEM. NEED MORE EFFECTIVE COORDINATION THROUGH CPC (COMITE ON PROGRAM AND COORDINATION) OR ACC (ADMINISTRATIVE COMITE ON COORDINATION) OR JOINT BODY. REGARDING EXPERTS' PROPOSALS FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL DECISION-MAKING, JORDAN SHARES AUSTRALIAN DOUBTS CONCERNING THE WISDOM OF ATTEMPTING TO INSTITUTIONALIZE CONSENSUS PROCEDURES. JORDAN SHARES CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY FRG AND FRANCE ABOUT CONTRADICTIONS EXISTING IN THE SYSTEM BUT BELIEVES THESE ARE NOT SO IMPORTANT FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. PERHAPS THE DRASIC RESTRUCTURING CALLED FOR BY THE EXPERTS IS UNNECESSARY AND ALL THAT IS REALLY NEEDED IS A MORE EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF EXISTING FACILITIES.

C. NORWAY. RESTRUCTURING IS OF THE GREATEST IMPORTANCE SINCE THERE MUST BE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF GLOBAL INTERDEPENDENCE. GROUP OF EXPORTS IN THEIR IMAGINATIVE REPORT ACCEPTED THE NIEO AND CERDS AS THE BASIS FOR RESTRUCTURING AND NORWAY JOINS JAMAICA IN CALLING FOR ALL TO TAKE A BROAD VIEW OF THESE DECISIONS. MANY JUSTIFIED LDC DEMANDS ARE FRUSTRATED BY EXISTING STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS. WITHOUT SUPPORTING ALL OF EXPERTS' PROPOSALS, NORWAY BELIEVES REPORT OF GROUP OF EXPERTS MERITS FULL ATTENTION. IN VIEW OF RESTRUCTURING COMMITTEE'S CLEAR PREFERENCE FOR GRADUAL APPROACH, NORWAY SUGGESTS INFORMAL INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP SHOULD FOCUS ON STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF ECOSOC, ON SECT SUPPORT FOR ECOSOC, AND ON ACC/ECOSOC RELATIONS. NORWAY REMAINS OPEN REGARDING PROPOSED ADVISORY COMITE ON UNCLASSIFIED

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ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT WHICH MUST NOT REDUCE ACC ROLE. NORWAY FAVORS THE PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENED ANALYTICAL CAPABILITIES FOR ESA SINCE DECENTRALIZATION REQUIRES A STRONG CENTRAL BRAIN. PROPOSED CONSOLIDATION OF FUNDS IS ATTRACTIVE BUT MUST BE CAREFUL THAT SUCH CONSOLIDATION DOES NOT REDUCE THE TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE.

D. NETHERLANDS. ROLE OF ECOSOC SHOULD BE STRENGTHENED. COMMITTEE SHOULD REQUEST SYG VIEWS ON METHODS FOR SECT TO P MEET THE NEEDS OF A STRENGTHENED ECOSOC AND ON OTHER EXPERT PROPOSALS. ALTHOUGH MANY FUNDS ALREADY SHARE A SINGLE GOVERNING COUNCIL, COMITE SHOULD EXAMINE THE USEFULNESS OF FURTHER CONSOLIDATION BUT MUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO SEVER THE CONNECTIONS WITH THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES. EXECUTIVE HEADS OF UN BODIES IN SPEAKING TO COMITE HAVE INDICATED CLEARLY BOTH A WARNING AGAINST UNDUE CENTRALIZATION AND A NEED FOR MORE INTERAGENCY COORDINATION. COMITE SHOULD REQUEST ACC TO INDICATE HOW IT SEES ITS ROLE IN TERMS OF A SYSTEM REFORMED TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF RES 3362 (S-VII) AND HOW PROPOSED ADVISORY COMITE ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT COULD OPERATE UNDER ACC AUSPICES. NETHERLANDS CAN ADOPT THE GENERALLY PREFERRED GRADULA APPROACH TO RESTRUCTURING BUT DOES NOT WANT TO LOSE SPEED AND CALLS FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO BEGIN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS RIGHT AWAY.

E. CHAIRMAN. DADZIE ANNOUNCED THAT HE HOPES THE COMITE CAN BEGIN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS REGARDING PLANS AND OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR THE INTERSESSIONAL WORKING GROUP AND REGARDING THE LIST OF PROBLEM AREAS TO BE ADDRESSED BY THE WORKING GROUP. HE ALSO ANNOUNCED THERE WOULD BE NO AFTERNOON MEETING FOR THE COMITE BUT THAT THE G77 WOULD MEET IN THE AFTERNOON.

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